

# Commission on Aging

100 Pocono Road

Brookfield Municipal Center

Brookfield, Ct. 06804

PRESENT: SUSAN SLATER, BETSY MCLLVAINES, MARILYN WILKES, SUSAN BALLA, CAROL HOWE, ELLEN  
MELVILLE, JANETTE HOLIDAY, CONNIE HUNT, RICH GROSKI, KEVIN McCAFFREY.

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Meeting came to order at Brooks Quarry at 12:00 pm on April 5, 2016

Public Comment: There was none

Approval of Minutes of March 2, 2016. They were accepted.

## REGULAR REPORTS

Senior Center: Ellen Melville, Director of Senior and Social Services

Tax season successful, cancelled only once due to weather.

Living with Alzheimer's (3-week education program) well attended

Advertised trips almost sold out. Very successful program (i.e. Branson, Missouri Saturday 4/9).

Intern from Western Connecticut State University helping seniors with kindles and i-phones.

Evaluating future use for computer lab as technology changing.

Walking group starting up again (1<sup>st</sup> walk cancelled due to snow). Working with girl scout leader for outdoor walking program.

Will be posting "Code of Conduct" in senior center lobby.

Attendance to Center is growing, implementing more official sign-in program for center.

Applied for grant to enhance Fish program.

Social Services: Jeannette Holiday, Municipal Social Worker for Brookfield, CT.

Energy Assistance ends April 30<sup>th</sup> Operation fuel little longer. Rent Rebates t April through October (subject to income guide-lines)

Food Pantry - Assisted 57 households, 110 visits. Provided Easter Treats and Baskets for 10 and under through generous donations.

Brooks Quarry: Connie Hunt

Resident meeting April 20<sup>th</sup> with Howard Lasser.

Solar Energy panels showing considerable savings for community room

Sewer program will be starting.

Old Business:

FISH Program averaging consistently 15 monthly. Alternative Sweethart bus according to individuals not user friendly. To many stops and hard to schedule.

Resource Guide: Final stages. Add Brooks Quarry.

Betsy visited first selectman. Update on budget.

Seminar Series - Topic: Aging at Home - Open to the Public

April 23<sup>rd</sup> - 10 am to 12 am

Thanked TBICO for donation.

New Business: Try to set up June 1<sup>st</sup> meeting at Brookfield Commons. Extend our visibility into the community

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 Betsy McIlvaine called and Susan Balla seconded.